



Sharing the Road Safely in Pennsylvania

Large trucks and buses maneuver differently than other vehicles and often face unique safety challenges.

In 2021 Pennsylvania experienced:

7,244 total heavy truck crashes, causing 144 fatalities¹

2,007 people involved in school bus crashes, and 2 were fatally injured¹

351 crashes¹ involving large trucks and buses caused by speeding

SOURCE

2021 Pennsylvania Crash Stats & Facts, page 54: https://www.penndot.pa.gov/TravelInPA/Safety/Documents/2021_CFB_linked.pdf



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Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration



Partnership for Responsible Driving



Follow these tips from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's *Our Roads, Our Safety* campaign:



Maintain a Safe Speed

Everyone on the road should obey traffic laws, and particularly the speed limit. Maintain a safe speed and appropriate following distance.



Stay Focused Behind the Wheel

Driving distracted is as dangerous as driving impaired. Eliminate distractions by taking proper precautions before you leave.



Always Wear a Seat Belt

Fatal crashes on America's roadways are rising, and a major contributing factor is not wearing a seat belt. Wear your seat belt every time you drive or ride.



Get a Good Night's Rest

Driving when you're fatigued, feeling ill, or using medications (including over-the-counter medicine) that make you drowsy or dizzy can impair judgment and reaction time. All drivers should try to get 7-8 hours of sleep per night and consider taking a 15-minute power nap while at a truck stop or rest area.

Every Pennsylvanian is responsible for sharing the road safely. For more information on driving safely on our roads, visit www.ShareTheRoadSafely.gov.